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Here's my experience during the pandemic.

I've been walking a lot for exercise and just to get out. I've noticed that other walkers are much nicer than they usually are. Most of them either wave and say hello or respond if I say it first, and we might maybe even talk for a couple of minutes. And either they or I will stop in a driveway and wait for the other person to pass, move to a lawn and wait, or move to the street to keep 6 feet away. This is with people I've never seen before - and of course with people I know.

Before the COVID-19 pandemic, many wouldn't get out of the way even if there were 2 or 3 people walking towards me on a narrow sidewalk.

And now that it's warmer and more people are out, more people are like they used to be, but most are still pleasant and considerate.

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